



IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re Application of:)
H. Lam et al) Group No.: 2653
Serial No.: 09/965,368) Examiner: David Louis Ometz
Filed: 09/26/2001) Docket No. SJO920010028US1
For: WRITE HEAD HAVING FIRST POLE)
PIECE WITH FREQUENCY DEPENDENT)
VARIABLE EFFECTIVE THROAT HEIGHT)

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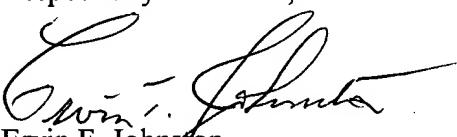
Sir:

PETITION FOR EXTENSION OF TIME UNDER 37 CFR 1.136(a)

Applicants hereby petition for a one (1) month Extension of Time to respond to the Office Action mailed 12/17/2003, thereby extending the time to respond from 03/17/2004 to and including 04/17/2004.

Transmitted herewith is an *Amendment* and *Request for Continued Examination (RCE)*.

Respectfully submitted,

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